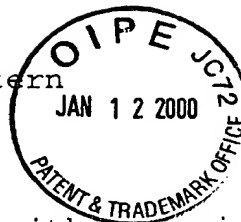


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In reply, applicants submit herewith a revised Sequence Listing attached hereto as **Exhibit B** in compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.824. In addition, applicants submit herewith a computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing on the enclosed computer diskette, which has the same content as the paper copy attached as **Exhibit B**. Applicants submit as **Exhibit C**, a Statement in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f) certifying that the computer readable form containing the nucleic acid and/or amino acid sequences required by 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f) and submitted in connection with the above-identified application, has the same information which is submitted herewith as **Exhibit B** entitled "Sequence Listing".

Thus, applicants maintain that the application now complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.824 and request that the Examiner withdraw this objection.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

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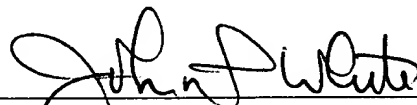
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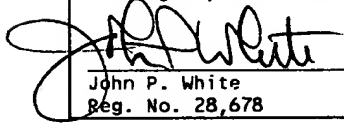
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